With the above, it is expected that the sale of decoders at present lying with ET&T would pick up.

**Setting up of plants to produce fuel and Zircaloy**

765. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Nuclear Fuel Complex is going to set up large plants to produce Fuel and zircaloy components for nuclear power reactors in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof with their location and estimated cost; and

(c) by when these plants are likely to start production and what technology would be used?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Nuclear Fuel Complex is going to set up projects to produce fuel and zircaloy components for the nuclear power programme in the country. These plants will be located at Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh, Turamdih (Bihar) and Palayakayal (Tamil Nadu) at a total estimated cost of Rs. 1200/- crores.

(c) The plants are expected to go into production progressively from 1993. Indigenous technology will be used for setting up these plants.

**Blood testing of patients administered with blood products**

766. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Directorate General of Health Services has appealed to the general public all over country to get their blood tested in case they had taken blood products during the last 2 years;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether the AIIMS, New Delhi has been able to contract all the patients whom the vaccine was administered and their blood tested?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) Yes,

(b) and (c) HIV antibodies were detected in some of the products implying that some of the donors who donated blood were sero-positive. As a matter of abundant precaution, it has been decided that all such blood products be withdrawan and destroyed. An appeal has been made that all persons who have taken blood products during the last two years may contact the nearest surveillance centre for screening for HIV infection.

No report has yet been received from the surveillance centres.

**Racket in purchase of drugs by the Central Medicines Supplies Directorate**

767. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER:

SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the report which appeared in the Times of India dated the 21st March, 1989 regarding racket in the purchase of drugs by the Central Medicines supplies Directorate from a black listed firm;

(b) if so, what is the outcome there-made any inquiry into the matter; and

(c) if so, what is the outcome thereof, stating the action taken/proposed

to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

**Closing down of Two Units of Madras Atomic Power Plant**

768. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a unit of the Madras Atomic Power Plant at Kalpakkam has been shut down, if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether another unit is already lying closed and if so, since when and the reasons therefor, stating the losses suffered as a result thereof; and

(c) what steps have been or are being taken to repair the units and by when they would start functioning again?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) Unit-I of Madras Atomic Power Station (MAPS-I) was taken out of grid on 4th April, 1989 due to an internal heavy water leak into the calandria vault. The source of the leak was identified and stopped. Subsequent inspection of calandria internal revealed a disturbance to the moderator inlet manifold. Further investigations are in progress regarding the rectification procedures.

(b) Unit-2 of MAPS has been out of service since 9th January, 1989. Inspection of the calandria internals revealed a disturbance to the moderator inlet manifold. Investigations are in progress regarding the rectification programme. The loss of electricity generation is about 120 million units per month for each unit.

(c) Action plan is being drawn up to return the units to service as early as possible.

**Pain killer drugs**

769. SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the News item which appeared in the Indian Express on the 21st March, 1989 under the caption warning against pain killers;

(b) if so, what are the names of pain killer drugs being marketed in India;

(c) the names of the drugs which have been found to be causing dangerous effects;

(d) what steps have been taken in this regard;

(e) whethre it is a fact that combination of narcotic and non-narcotic drugs and Glucocorticods are also being marketed in India;

(f) if so, the names of leading brands of such combinations;

(g) whether it is also a fact that these combinations cause adverse effects from peptic ulcer to bonylesion; and

(h) if so, what steps have been taken to withdraw these combinations of drugs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The names of pain-killer drugs (Analgesic) marketed in India are Aspirin, paracetamol, analgin, Ebuprofen pentazocine, Dextro-propoxyphene.